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SUBJECT: FY 2006 IVLP Individual Nomination - Marie-France Charbonneau (Principal Candidate)

REFERENCE: OTTAWA 1504

1. Post is pleased to nominate Ms. Marie-France Charbonneau, Political Attache of the Bloc Qubcois Cabinet, for a 21-day individual project. Ms. Charbonneau has full country team approval. EVDB nomination follows.

2. START FIXED-FORMAT TEXT (PLEASE DO NOT EDIT):  
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START BIO:  
PREFIX: Ms.  
F-NAME: Marie-France  
M-NAME:  
L-NAME: Charbonneau  
SUFFIX:  
POSITION-CODE: 0  
PRINCIPAL?: Yes  
M-ADDR1: 3750 Crmazie Boulevard East  
M-ADDR2: Suite 307  
M-ADDR3:  
M-CITY: Montreal  
M-STATE: Quebec  
M-CNTRY: Canada

M-ZONE: H2A 1B6  
M-ZIP:  
M-PHONE: (514) 526-3000  
M-FAX: (514) 526-2868  
M-EMAIL: mfcharbonneau@bloc.org  
M-CNTRY-ID: CA  
M-ADDRTYPE: B  
GENDER: F  
DOB: 08/12/1964  
MAR-STAT: U

BIRTH-CITY: Montreal  
BIRTH-CNTRY: Canada  
CITIZ-CNTRY: Canada  
RES-CNTRY: Canada  
START MEMO POSITION:  
Political Attache - Bloc Qubcois Cabinet  
END MEMO POSITION:  
START MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:

END MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:  
START MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:  
Charbonneau has worked for the Bloc Qubcois since 1992.  
Previously, she served as Interim General Director,  
Communications Director and Riding Political Attache to  
then-MP Gilles Duceppe. Prior to 1992, Charbonneau worked  
for the Parti Qubcois, as Political Attache to then-MP  
Bernard Landry, Liaison Officer, Fte Nationale Coordinator  
and candidate in the Saint-Laurent riding (1989).

END MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:  
START MEMO US-TRAVEL:  
Short holidays in New England and Florida

END MEMO US-TRAVEL:  
START MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:  
Two holiday trips to France

END MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:  
R-TRAVEL:  
START MEMO EDUCATION:  
Currently completing a Masters degree in Public  
Administration at AP (ole nationale d'administration  
publique). Some studies in law.

END MEMO EDUCATION:  
START MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:  
Bloc Qubcois, Parti Qubcois

END MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:  
START MEMO PUBLICATIONS:

None  
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START MEMO SPEC-CONSID:

Smoker  
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NOMINATING-OFFICER: PAO Alyson Grunder  
START MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:  
Since the Bloc Quebecois' strong showing in the 2004 federal  
election, we have been on the lookout for a BQ  
representative to nominate for the IV program. We believe  
Marie-France Charbonneau, Bloc political advisor, would make  
an excellent candidate for a program devoted to current  
issues in U.S.-Canada relations, federalism and

and  
decentralization in the U.S. political system, and U.S.  
perspectives on globalization, including its impact on  
international security.

Charbonneau proved her loyalty to the Quebec separatist  
movement when early in her career she ran for the provincial  
legislature as a sacrificial Parti Quebecois lamb, in a  
strong Liberal (federalist) riding. Since that 1989 race,  
she has worked continuously as a political advisor to senior  
PQ and Bloc politicians, including former Quebec Premier  
Bernard Landry, and currently, BQ leader Gilles Duceppe.  
Charbonneau is bright, trusted and supported by the inner  
circle of senior elected officials in the Bloc. She was  
tasked with planning and organizing Duceppe's public events  
during the 2004 election campaign, and his recent speaking  
tours outside of Quebec. Charbonneau well understands that  
the U.S. strongly favors a united Canada, but she makes the  
case that Americans need to understand that the sovereignist  
cause has many supporters in Quebec, including among young  
voters. She, and her separatist colleagues, would also  
benefit from hearing the American arguments for federalism,  
within a decentralized political system.

END MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:

NOM-OFF: ConGen Montreal

SPEAKER?: No  
NOTIFY-EMB: No  
MEDIA?: No  
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HOME-HOSP?: Yes  
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